

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2017  
1:30 p.m.

A regular board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was held at the Department of Professional Licensing located at 911 Leawood Drive in Frankfort, KY.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Peter Pearlman  
Steven Clark  
Lisa Nelson Brown  
Tobie Brown  
Michael Stone  
Deanna Frazier

**DPL STAFF**

Isaac VanHoose, Commissioner  
Megan Woodson, Board Administrator

**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Carson Kerr, Office of Legal Services

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Michael Hoagland  
Faron Blakeman

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Peter Pearlman called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the August 10, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the August minutes. Mr. Hoagland seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial reports for August, September, October and November were reviewed.

**DPL REPORT**

Ms. Woodson advised of the new board email address, [HIS@ky.gov](mailto:HIS@ky.gov), which is now being utilized to correspondence with the public.

**BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT**

No report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Legislative Review Committee of Mr. Blakeman, Mr. Clark, and Mr. Stone will meet at 12:30pm prior to the next board meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Board briefly discussed updating the written and practical exam content. Mr. Stone made a motion to create a taskforce to review the current practical exam questions. Mr. Hoagland seconded the motion and it carried. The Practical Exam Committee members, Mr. Stone and Ms. Frazier, will review the exams for possible updates.

The Board briefly discussed the possibility of investigating businesses to check for proper licensing. Ms. Frazier made a motion for Mr. Jones to draft an investigation regulation. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and it carried.

The Board reviewed email inquiries received and Ms. Woodson will respond those inquiries.  
The Board will conduct officer elections in February.

The Board set the 2018 meeting and exam dates as follows:

**Board Meeting Dates:**

Friday, February 9th  
Thursday, April 12th  
Friday, June 8th  
Thursday, August 9th  
Friday, October 12th  
Thursday, December 13th

**Exam Dates:**

Friday, April 13th  
Friday, August 10th  
Friday, December 14th

**COMPLAINTS**

The Complaints Committee made the following recommendations:

2016-03 - Ongoing

2017-05 - Dismiss

17-KBHI-0232 – Ongoing

2017-06 - Dismiss

2017-07 - Ongoing

Ms. Nelson Brown seconded the recommendations of the Complaints Committee and they carried.

**APPLICATIONS**

The Applications Committee made the following recommendations:

**Approve Apprentice Permit Applications:**

- Adams, Ryan
- Black, Zachary
- Chaney, Craig
- Franke, J. Kevin
- Gaffin, Wendy
- Ring, Charles
- Tingler, Richard
- Strange, H. Gregory

**Approve Individual License Applications:**

- Bonner, Amanda
- Feltnier, Cassandra
- Gottschalk, Karah
- Shock, Devon

**Defer Individual License Application:**

- Heacock, Raquel

Approve Sponsorship Change:

- Holbrook, Sarah

Ms. Hoagland seconded the recommendations of the applications committee and they carried.

Ms. Nelson Brown motioned to approve the following continuing education trainings:

<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Course Name</b>
Amplifon Americas	Introduction of Genius 3.0 Technology & Troubleshooting for Improving Patient Satisfaction ( <b>Track 1</b> )
Amplifon Americas	Introduction of Genius 3.0 Technology & Troubleshooting for Improving Patient Satisfaction ( <b>Track 2</b> )
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	The Future of Hearing Aid Dispensing and Upgradability
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	Regulatory & Technology Changes in the Hearing Industry
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	The Ethics of Patient Discussions Regarding OTC Hearing aids
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	Patient-Driven Fittings
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	Negative Consequences of Uncorrected Hearing Loss- A Review
Hearing Healthcare Instructional Institute (HHII)	Auditory Deprivation and Hearing Loss
Rexton, division of Sivantos, Inc.	Beyond the Hearing Aid: Hearing Instruments for Today Users

Motion, seconded by Mr. Clark, carried.

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM**

Mr. Clark motioned to approve travel and per diem for the December 7, 2017 meeting and December 8, 2017 exams. Mr. Blakeman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2018 at the Board office. Committees will meet at 12:30 p.m. with the regular meeting of the Board beginning at 1:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business before the Board, Mr. Clark made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 3:02p.m.

Motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson Brown, carried.

Minutes Prepared by  
Megan Woodson  
December 19, 2017